

CITY COUNCIL

Public Safety Committee

Monday, March 2, 2009 Agenda 5:00 p.m.

Committee Members: D. Sterner, Chair; S. Marmarou; M. Goodman-Hinnershitz

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

5:00 pm

I. Bernhart's Park

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

I. Handicapped Parking

5:30 pm

II. Public Safety at Schools

6:00 pm

- a. Officers at RHS update
- b. Use of School Resource Officers at Middle Schools
- c. Report Daytime Curfew enforcement
- d. Public Safety Juniors Program at Southern Middle School
- III. Graffiti coordination of City and County removal programs
- **IV.** Review Reports:
 - Codes Enforcement
 - Crime Stats (Police)
 - Fire Report

It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above-stated meeting to gather information. No action will be taken by any governmental body at the above stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.

Public Safety Goals

Goal 1: Coordination of Police, Codes and Zoning Services

Goal 2: Support Problem Oriented Policing

Goal 3: Surveillance Camera Project - underway

Goal 4: Support Consolidation of Fire Departments

Goal 5: Support Update of Emergency & Pandemic Plan (including NIMS Training for all required personnel)

Goal 6: Support Health and Safety Review Ordinances

Goal 7: Support Cops and Codes Sweeps

Goal 8: Support Implementation of Sidewalk Café and Sales Ordinances

Goal 9: Support Implementation of Sidewalk Vendor Ordinance

Goal 10: Support Public Safety at City Schools



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Monday, January 5, 2009 5:00 p.m.

Attendance: D. Sterner, M. Goodman-Hinnershitz, S. Marmarou

Other City Staff Attending: B. Reinhart, T. Butler, C. Younger, S. Katzenmoyer

Dennis Sterner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

I. Housing Permit Ordinance

Include escrow provision

Mr. Sterner questioned the progress of the research of adding this provision to the ordinance. Mr. Reinhart noted that he had no information to report on this topic at this time. Mr. Younger noted his belief that this would not be allowed by State law. He noted his willingness to monitor this issue but recommended that the current practice of placarding buildings should continue. Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz noted that placarding is beginning to become more effective as more properties are shut down. The committee felt that this should remain an option if changes in State law allow for this additional tool.

Vacant property registration requirement

Mr. Reinhart noted that he is currently working on rewriting the Codes and this requirement will be included. He noted that the cost for the registration escalates on a progressive scale as the property remains vacant for long periods of time. This is to deter owners from allowing properties to sit vacant and deteriorate. Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz noted the importance of having an accurate database of vacant properties.

Mr. Sterner questioned when this provision would be implemented. Mr. Reinhart noted that he is currently working with Inspector Gery on the Code updates. Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz noted

the importance of protecting the City's housing stock. She noted her hope that properties not be allowed to remain vacant forever

Housing permits on all non-owner occupied properties

This is currently occurring.

Remove notification before citation requirement

Mr. Reinhart noted that additional notice is not being given before properties are placarded as letters were sent in August. He noted that the Property Maintenance Code requires notice before citation and will be removed as part of the Code update. He stated that a ticket system will be implemented which would remove much of the involvement of the MDJs in codes issues. He is hoping this will begin in April 2009. Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz stated that she was glad to see progress in this area.

Provide increased penalty for non-compliance

Mr. Younger reported that the maximum allowed by State law is \$1000 for the first and second offense and \$5000 for a third or more. Mr. Reinhart stated his belief that the local MDJs would feels this penalty is too high. He stated that the MDJs have been handing down \$100 fines and ordering payment of all fees.

Mr. Sterner questioned if this should be increased. Mr. Younger suggested increasing the amount of the scale between \$500 to \$1000 and up to the maximum allowable by State law.

II. Handicapped Parking

Ms. Butler noted that she has two samples to discuss – Harrisburg and Allentown. Harrisburg allows a parking space once a handicapped placard or license plate is issued by the State. Allentown allows a person to apply after acquiring State approval but adds additional conditions.

Mr. Marmarou relayed information pertaining to a City employee who abuses handicapped parking. He stated that a person who is denied a parking space should have to bring a lawsuit against the City to try to acquire one. Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz stated her position that she's tired of constant lawsuits against the City.

Ms. Butler stated that the City needs to make reasonable accommodations. Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz stated that those abusing handicapped parking and compliance with State law are two different issues. Mr. Marmarou again stated that he is against changing the City's current handicapped parking ordinance.

Ms. Butler advised the Committee that Reading should base their amendment on the Allentown ordinance. Mr. Sterner requested Ms. Butler research to see if Allentown's ordinance has sustained any challenges. Mr. Marmarou requested Dr. Hassel attend the next Public Safety Committee meeting to hear his opinion.

Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz questioned if the amendment would include a penalty for misuse of handicapped parking. Ms. Butler replied affirmatively.

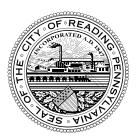
III. 2009 Goals

The Committee reviewed the 2008 goals.

Ms. Goodman-Hinnershitz requested adding public safety at schools including truancy, the dropout rate, and vandalism and fighting.

The Public Safety Committee meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Shelly Katzenmoyer, Deputy City Clerk



AGENDA MEMO

10:	Public Safety
PREPARED BY:	Tonya Butler
MEETING DATE:	March 2, 2009
AGENDA MEMO DATE:	February 19, 2009
DECLIECTED ACTION.	Carrall annuaria

REQUESTED ACTION: Council approve a resolution amending Resolution #93-96 (Handicap

Parking).

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approve a resolution amending Resolution #93-96 (Handicap Parking).

BACKGROUND:

This amendment would put the City's handicap parking laws in concert with existing State requirements.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

None

PREVIOUS ACTION:

None

SUBSEQUENT ACTION:

None

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Approve the resolution amending Resolution #93-96 (Handicap Parking).

RESOLUTION NO.	

AMENDING RESOLUTION #93-96, SECTIONS 1-6:

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 473-86, the Council of the City of Reading enacted a handicapped parking policy procedure; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to modify that parking policy procedure as a result of the everwhelming requests received for handicapped parking spaces the population of the City of Reading consists of citizens with numerous handicaps or disabilities, some of whom by reason of their handicap or disability, require reasonable accommodations in order to have equality of opportunity relating to their public accommodations; and

WHEREAS, there are currently issues in excess of five hundred (500) handicapped parking spaces; and discrimination because of a person's handicap or disability is contrary to the laws and policies of the City; and

WHEREAS, the handicapped parking space designation may be established by the City of Reading; and

WHEREAS, the use of such designated handicapped parking space is not permitted to be exclusive to the applicant; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to monitor the applications for and continued use of handicapped parking spaces; and.

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the criteria for granting requests for handicapped parking spaces should be made more stringent.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Any resident of the City of Reading, after acquiring a handicapped or disabled veterans license plate or placard from the State, may make application to the City for a handicapped parking space. who has a qualified disability status as defined in the Application for Residential Parking for People with Disabilities and who has been issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a handicapped license plate or disabled veterans license plate or placard from the State or on whose behalf said license plate has been issued pursuant to Section 1338 of the Vehicle Code because of a handicap or disability, shall be eligible for the installation, in front of or as reasonably close thereto said person's residence, of a sign indicating that parking in such space is restricted to those vehicles bearing handicapped license plates or placards.. All applications for original or renewal status will be reviewed by the City Health Officer, who will be the individual responsible for making the final determination on whether or not an individual claiming handicapped status, original or renewal, should be granted a handicapped parking space.

SECTION 1.1. A restricted handicapped parking space in front of a residence, or reasonably close to a residence is a special privilege granted by the City of Reading only to people who have severe physical disabilities as evidenced on their application by their physician's certification of their current disability status. Such a space will be granted only to those who are mobility impaired to the extent that they cannot manage without it.

SECTION 1.2. Parking at a restricted handicapped parking space is permitted by anyone who has been issued a handicapped license plate or disabled veterans license plate or placard from the State or on whose behalf said license plate has been issued pursuant to Section 1338 of the Vehicle Code because of a handicap or disability, The restricted handicapped parking space does not belong to the applicant.

SECTION 2. In making the final determination, the City Health Officer shall be limited to granting no more than two (2) handicapped parking spaces per block where there is parking permitted on both sides of the street, and one (1) handicapped parking space per block where parking is permitted on only one (1) side of the street. Any such handicapped parking space permits having previously been granted prior to the effective date of this resolution where there is an excess of two (2) per block where applicable, or one (1) per block where applicable shall be permitted to remain in effect. In the event handicapped parking permits exceed the two (2) per block or the one (1) per block limit set forth above, the City Health Officer shall refrain from granting handicapped parking spaces for such block or blocks until such time as handicapped parking spaces as a result of failure to renew or cancellations fall below the per block limit set forth above. The application for restricted handicapped parking space shall be made on a form provided by the Department of Public Works, Traffic Engineering Office. The application information shall include the identity of the handicapped person and said person's place of residence. It shall be accompanied by documentation evidencing issuance of a handicapped plate or placard by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as well as a physician's certification of disability.

SECTION 3. In making the final determination for renewal of handicapped parking spaces, the City Health Officer shall apply the criteria existing prior to date of passage of this resolution for the renewal of all parking spaces currently granted, with the exception of any numerical space limitations. Once a permit is not renewed for any reason, any new application by the same applicant for such parking permit shall be considered a new application and shall be governed by the criteria set forth in Section 4. of this resolution.

SECTION 4. In making such final determination, the applicant or someone residing in the applicant's residence shall meet the following criteria

- a) There is legal parking in the street in front of the applicant's residence.
- b) No on-site off street parking is available.
- c) The applicant:
 - 1. Must be wheelchair confined, and/or,
 - 2. Must have a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as Class IV according to the standards set by the American Heart Association, and/or,
 - 3. Caring for a minor child with a severe physical or mental disability, and/or,
 - 4. Is restricted by lung disease to such an extent that the person's forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter or the arterial oxygen tension is less than 60 mm/hg on room air at rest. shall have a disability as defined in the Application for Residential Parking for People with Disabilities.

- d) There is at least twenty-five (25') feet of parking space directly in front of the property. If not, signatures of the persons who own the adjacent properties must be obtained indicating that they have no objections to the installation of the Handicap zone.
- e) The disabled person must be eligible for, and have in his or her possession, a HCP, PD or DVHP license plate or placard from the PA Department of Transportation for his or her vehicle.

SECTION 5. ANNUAL CERTIFICATION Approved applicants will be required to pay a fee of Seventy Dollars (\$70.00) for the materials and labor involved in the installation of the sign. Each permit granting a handicapped parking space may be renewed on an annual basis by filing an application for renewal together with a Five Dollar (\$5.00) renewal fee. Each application whether for an original permit for a handicapped parking space or for a renewal permit for a handicapped parking space shall contain the information required by the application form and the renewal application form. An incomplete application form or renewal application form shall be grounds for denial of the request for a permit. Applications for renewal permits shall be submitted to the City Health Officer not less than thirty (30) days or more than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of each one (1) year term.

- (a) Each renewal period shall be twelve (12) months.
- (b) Application for renewal must be filed with the City Health Officer not less than thirty (30) days or more than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of each one (1) year term.
- (c) The City Health Officer will not accept the application for renewal unless it is also accompanied by a sworn document containing the following averments:
 - (1) The applicant continues to be disabled.
 - (2) The applicant continues to drive the identified automobile or is being driven by another identified individual because of applicant's disability.
 - (3) The applicant resides at the same address.

SECTION 5.1 FAILURE TO FILE COMPLETED APPLICATION

Failure to file a completed initial application or a timely application for renewal shall result in such application being denied. In the event an individual fails to file a completed application for recertification within the times allowed, that is, on an annual basis prior to expiration of the individual's eligibility, the right to such sign shall be forfeited, and the sign shall be removed by the Department of Public Works.

SECTION 5.2 REMOVAL OF SIGN

In addition to the removal of the sign for failure to properly apply for renewal, a handicapped parking restriction sign may be removed after notice to the applicant if, upon investigation, the City determines that the applicant is not, in fact, handicapped, that the applicant has moved or that the privilege is being abused in a manner inconsistent with its intent. The notice to the individual shall state the reason(s) for the anticipated removal of the sign and shall give the handicapped individual twenty (20) days in which to request a hearing before City Council or its designee.

Any change of address or change of circumstance shall be reported to the City Health Officer within thirty (30) days of such occurrence so that the restricted handicapped sign can be removed from said location.

SECTION 5.3 INSTALLATION OF SIGNS

Upon determination that the application for handicapped restricted parking meets the requirements of this chapter, the City Health Officer shall refer the same to the Department of Public Works, Traffic Engineering Office for installation of a restricted handicap parking sign.

SECTION 5.4

SECTION 6. The criteria set forth for final determination as set forth in Section 4 and the fee for the original application and any renewal application may be changed from time to time by written directive of the executive branch provided that at least prior thirty (30) days notice thereof shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in and for Berks County. An incomplete application form or renewal application form shall be grounds for denial of the request for a permit. Applications for renewal permits shall be submitted to the City Health Officer not less than thirty (30) days or more than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of each one (1) year term. Penalties. An individual who submits a false application to the City of Reading shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and costs, or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or both. Each false application submitted to the City of Reading shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon enactment.

The criteria set forth for final determination as set forth in Section 3 may be changed from time to time by written directive of the City of Reading City Council provided that at least thirty (30) days prior notice thereof shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in and for Berks County.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon enactment.

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	PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL	
ATTEST:		
		
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City of Reading 815 Washington St Reading, PA 19601



Dear Applicant:

Enclosed, please find an application for Residential Parking for People with Disabilities. It is very important that this application be filled out completely and legibly. An application that is incomplete, illegible or otherwise not filled out in compliance with the explicit instructions given on the application will be returned to the applicant without action.

Attached is a form that must be completed by your physician, certifying the nature of your disability. This form **must be printed or typed** and returned with the completed application.

Upon our receipt and verification of your completed application, a representative of the City of Reading will contact you. At that time, an appointment will be made to come to your home for an in-person interview and to survey parking as it applies to your particular situation.

You will be notified in writing as to whether your application has been approved or denied.

DISABLED PERSON RESERVED PARKING CRITERIA

- 1. The disabled person must be eligible for, and have in their possession, a HCP, PD, or DVHP license plate from the PA Department of Transportation for his/her vehicle.
- 2. The driver of the vehicle need not be the disabled person as long as the driver resides in the household of the disabled person ie. spouse, parent. The state requirements allow for a person in the household other than the disabled person to apply because frequently the disabled person cannot drive. He or she may be a child or a person with a disability that prohibits them from driving, but a sign will only be granted if the disability is severe enough to warrant a space.
- 3. The disabled person must be mobility impaired to the extent that ambulation is **severely** restricted.
- 4. The street width in front of the residence must be adequate to allow parking.
- 5. The individual cannot have an off street parking space available.
- 6. The individual must be restricted by lung disease to such an extent that the person's forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter or the arterial oxygen tension is less than 60 MM/HG on room air at rest.
- 7. The individual must have a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as Class IV according to the standards set by the American Heart Association.
- 8. The parking width in front of the property must be at least 25 feet. If this is **not** the case, you must obtain the signature of the person who owns the adjacent property indicating that they have no objection to the installation of the handicap zone.
- 9. No temporary handicap space will be installed for less than one (1) year.

PLEASE PRINT

If this application is being completed by someone other than the disabled person (applicant), please list that person's name below:

Pers	son completing application	Relationship to a	pplicant		_
*The	olicant's Name: e following information required on licant	this application must pert	ain to the	e above	 e mentioned
Add	lress:	Zip	Code: _		_
Tele	ephone:	Date of Birth:			_
Soc	sial Security Number:				
PLE	EASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING	G QUESTIONS COMPLET	ELY:		
1.	What is the nature of your disal	bility?			-
2.	Explain why you feel that you a	re in need of reserved park			home:
3.	Do you have a garage or other	off street parking available	? YES	NO	_
4.	Do you have a PA Person with If YES , License Plate number: If NO , do you have a PA Person			 r:	_
5. a ve	If the vehicle is not registered to ehicle not registered to you? Please		are you	reque	esting a zone for
6.	Do you use one of the following Wheelchair Cane Crutches Other (please specify)	Braces Walker	N/A		_
7.	Are there any type of parking re	estrictions on your street?		NO	

Please attach a photocopy of the Vehicle Registration AND the applicant's or designated driver's PA driver's license as well as a copy of the Person with Disabilities Placard, if applicable.			
IS YOUR PROPERTY 25 FEET WIDE OR MORE? IF NO, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SECTION:			
I understand that if the zone that I am requesting includes a portion of the street in front of a property adjacent to mine, it is my responsibility to obtain the signature of the owner of the adjacent property indicating that they have no objection to the installation of this zone. I further agree that if I use this zone in any other manner other than that which I described at the time of this application, the zone will be removed. In addition, I agree that the City of Reading retains the right to remove this zone at any time.			

CONSENT OF ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER (Please read carefully if applicable)			
I, (print name) certify that I am the owner of (your address) I understand that my neighbor is in need of additional footage in order to install a reserved parking zone on the street. I have no objections to the City of Reading installing a sign on the sidewalk in front of my property at the above address.			
Adjacent Property Owner signature Phone # Date			

Do you rent the property where you are residing? No Yes If yes , your landlord will need to sign below.			
I certify that I am the owner or property manager of (address): and that I have no objection to the City of Reading installing a handicap sign for my tenant along the public sidewalk in front of the property at the above address.			
Landlord or property manager signature Phone # Date			

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I am aware that it is my responsibility to file a complete application. I understand that the
application will be returned to me if it is found to be incomplete, illegible, or otherwise not filed in
compliance with the instructions.

I certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge an belief. I understand that any false statements made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa C.S. Section 4904, relating to unsworn falsifications to authorities.		
Applicant's signature	Date	

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATION OF DISABILITY

POLICY STATEMENT

All portions of this form must be filled out in detail by the applicant's treating physician based on an examination conducted <u>within the past six months</u>. A reserved parking space in front of a residence is a special privilege granted by the City of Reading only to people who have <u>severe</u> physical disabilities. Such a space will be granted only to those who are mobility impaired to the extent that they cannot manage without it.

	Please type or print clearly or app	olication will be rejected
Patient's Nan	ne:	Age:
Residential A	ddress:	Zip Code:
Home Phone	:	
The undersi	gned hereby certifies as follows:	
1. I exam	ined the above named application on the	e day of
2. Disabi	ity Status (check all that apply, refer to th	ne attached functional guidelines)
 □ Impaired or Non-Ambulatory Disability (Sec. 1 □ or Sec 2 □) □ Arthritis (Sec. 3) Functional Class #		o the extent that their forced (respiratory ured by spirometry, is less than one liter ng on room air at rest? □ No □ Yes IF

.	Please describe in detail the nature and extent of the applicant's disability:
5.	I performed the following test(s) and/or procedures in diagnosing the applicant's disability:
5.	Please specify the diagnosis <u>and</u> prognosis of the applicant:
.	Will applicant's current level of disability (check one) □ Improve □ Remain the same □Deteriorate?
3.	Please specify the current physical condition of the applicant:
	Does the applicant require the use of any of the following devices? (check all the apply) □ Wheelchair □ Crutches □ Scooter □ Cane(s) □ Walker □ Braces □ Other
0.	Does the applicant require assistance with entering and exiting a vehicle? □ No □ Yes If YES, please describe in detail:
1.	Does the applicant require assistance in entering or exiting his/her home? □ No □ Yes If YES , please describe in detail:
2.	Is the applicant capable of driving? □ No □ Yes If YES, is the applicant the principal driver of the vehicle? ? □ No □ Yes
am	a Board certified physician in the following areas: (Please list)

I certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and
belief. I understand that false statements made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C. S.
Sec. 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Executed on(date) by(Physician's signature)	
Please print:	
Physician's Name:	
Address:	-
Telephone Number:	
License Number:	

FUNCTIONAL GUIDELINES AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA RESERVED RESIDENTIAL PARKING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

It is the responsibility of the medical evaluator to determine whether one or more medical conditions ascribed to an applicant are of such severity as to render the applicant disabled to the extent that reserved parking is required for him/her to function adequately on a day to day basis. The following is a rather comprehensive list of medical conditions which, in various stages cause moderate to severe mobility impairment. Most sections include a "Note" area to assist the evaluator in interpretation of the medical criteria as they relate to an applicant's eligibility for reserved, residential parking for people with disabilities.

SECTION 1: NON AMBULATORY DISABILITIES

Impairments that require the applicant to use a wheelchair for mobility.

SECTION 2: IMPAIRED OR ASSISTED AMBULATION

Intended for those who walk with extreme difficulty including those individuals who use a walker, crutches or leg braces. Use of a cane does not necessarily indicate eligibility for reserved residential parking.

Note: Claiming eligibility under this section will require extensive medical documentation or an additional medical examination of the individual to determine whether or not this applicant's medical condition qualifies the applicant for receipt of a reserved residential zone.

SECTION 3: ARTHRITIS

This section is intended for people whose arthritic condition makes walking extremely difficult; people who suffer arthritis which causes a severe functional motor deficit in the legs.

Functional Capacity:

Class III – functional capacity adequate to perform only a few or none of the duties of usual occupation or self care.

Class IV – Largely or wholly incapacitated, uses wheelchair.

Mobility Assessment:

Grade II – The applicant can cross the road but cannot manage Public transportation

Grade III – The applicant can use stairs but cannot cross roads

Grade IV – The applicant cannot use stairs

Grade V – The applicant can move from room to room with help

Grade VI – The applicant is confined to chair or bed

Note: Arthritis alone can only be used as a criterion for reserved residential parking if the applicant meets Class III under the Functional Capacity section and at least Grade III and up to Grade V under the Mobility Assessment section. Those applicants falling under other classes or grades listed must have either additional medical complications (when considering those at Grade II level) or traffic and/or terrain problems creating additional hardships for an attendant or driver of the disabled resident (when considering those at the Class IV and Grade VI levels).

SECTION 4: AMPUTATION/ANATOMICAL

This section is intended for people who find it extremely difficult to walk because of amputation, congenital absence of or anatomical deformity of the lower extremity at or above the tarsal region of one or both legs.

Note: Exceptions might include those cases in which the applicant has been particularly successful in mastering life skills and has been rendered fully ambulatory with the aid of his/her prosthesis.

SECTION 5: CEREBROVASCULAR ACCIDENT

This section is intended for those applicants who, because of stroke or brain injury find it extremely difficult to walk. These applicants must exhibit one of the following:

- (A) Severe functional motor deficit in any of two extremities
- (B) Sever Ataxia affecting two extremities substantiated by appropriate cerebellar signs of proprioceptive loss/loss of muscle and kinesthetic sense.

Note: Appropriate medical documentation including, but not limited to rehabilitation records, etc. required before approval of an application from an individual falling under this category.

SECTION 6: PULMONARY DISABILITIES

People who, because of a respiratory condition, find it extremely difficult to walk. These individuals experience dyspnea at various levels of exertion. Applicants must exhibit one of the following:

- (A) Dyspnea which occurs during such activities as climbing one flight or stairs or walking 100 yards on level ground.
- (B) Dyspnea present on the slightest exertion such as dressing, talking or at rest

Note: Applicants for reserved parking may qualify under either sections A or B, however, these conditions should be substantiated by respiratory function studies or by other objective rather than subjective evidence. If oxygen is required to carry out routine functions, this should be stated by the applicant's physician.

SECTION 7: CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

This section applies to those individuals who, because of cardiac ills, walk with extreme difficulty. This includes people who exhibit Class III or Class IV in the functional classification and Class D or E in the therapeutic classification.

Functional Classification

Class III – Patients with cardiac disease resulting in marked limitation of physical activity. Patients may be comfortable at rest, however, less than ordinary physical activity causes fatigue, palpitations, dyspnea or anginal pain

Class IV – Patients with cardiac disease resulting in an inability to carry out physical activity without discomfort. Symptoms of cardiac insufficiency or anginal syndrome may be present even at rest. Any physical activity with increase discomfort

Therapeutic Classification

Class D – Patients with cardiac disease whose ordinary physical activity should be markedly restricted

Class E – Patients with cardiac disease who should be at complete rest, confined to a bed or chair

Note: Those applicants who fall under Functional Class III or Therapeutic Classification D may be mobility impaired to the extent that reserved parking is required. However, placement in this classification, along with inclusion under one of the other disability categories may combine to categorize the applicant disabled to the degree that a reserved parking zone is necessary. With respect to Therapeutic Classification E, the evaluator must bear in mind that persons who are confined to bed do not usually require the provision of special parking. Upon appeal, however, special circumstances such as traffic or terrain problems may be brought to light which allow approval or reserved parking zones in such cases.

SECTION 8: NEUROLOGICAL DISABILITIES

This section is intended for those people who, because of impairment of the central nervous system, are disabled to the extent that their gait is radically altered resulting in severely restricted mobility.

Neurological Disorder: Damage to the central nervous system due to illness, accident, genetic, or hereditary factors.

Note: Each of the factors above could cause a wide range of damage to the central nervous system resulting in anything from minor disability to total incapacitation. The evaluator must take care to detail the extent to which the applicant's mobility is impaired as a result of the existing neurological disorder. The general rule for our purposes is if the applicant can walk one half of a City block without difficulty, he or she is not likely to require reserved residential parking.

SECTION 9: OTHER

Upon special request, consideration will be given to a disability which is not specifically included in the aforementioned criteria.